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Gov. Sam Brownback brought a map with him Monday highlighting all the counties – including Norton – that have been included in the tax incentive program. -Telegram Photo by Kevin Bottrell

Decline

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said.

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"Well, I'm the governor and I'm not going to stand around," he said. "We need to turn that trend around, and I think we can do it."

Brownback himself originated the bill. He said the idea came out of a campaign stop in Winfield while he was running for office.

"There were about six people there, and four were from southern California," he said.

He said he asked the Californians why they had moved to Kansas, and they told him that while on a motorcycle trip through the area, they decided they liked that town and wanted to retire there.

"If this can happen in Winfield, why couldn't it happen everywhere?" he asked. "We gotta do more; we gotta attract people."

Brownback said the state hasn't done enough to sell itself in the past, and now has to be aggressive. The state has to create opportunities and make it easy for people to move here.

Brownback showed off a chart that highlighted the counties included in the zone. It covers most of the western half of the state,

excluding Ellis and Barton counties (Hays and Great Bend), and eight counties from Ford to Stevens, including Garden City, Dodge City and Liberal.

"We got 50 counties, and I think about half of them are in Ralph Ostmeyer's district," he joked.

Not quite, but all 18 counties in Ostmeyer's district are covered. Out of northwest Kansas, only Ellis county is not. Ostmeyer said he was encouraged to see how many people turned out. The bill has merit, he said, and people

already are interested.

Pat George, secretary of commerce, flew in with the governor. He said the state is trying to partner with rural counties to give people a reason to take a look at Kansas.

In addition to the tax incentive, Brownback said, advances in technology can help rural areas bring in people or keep them from moving away.

"Many jobs, you can do from anywhere now," he said.

Brownback pointed to several people in the crowd from Northwest Tech, which has partnered with Apple to loan iPads to every student and staff member.

"Google came to Kansas City; Apple came to Goodland," he joked.

Dispute

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Sunflower Electric representatives will be at the May 4 council meeting to present power supply options for the city.

Sherry Hickman, Animal Control Officer, has turned in her resignation effective April 15. Current City employee, Corey Urban, will be assuming her duties. A cage will be put in the meter reader pickup for the use of transporting loose dogs during the day.

"I want to thank Sherry for the excellent job she has done as the Animal Control Officer," said Lawson.

"I agree, she has done an excellent job for the city," said Mayor Corns.

The Norton Telegram did a follow up interview with Lawson to clarify the statement that Corey Urban would be picking up loose dogs during the day.

"He is taking over all the duties of Animal Control, not only during the day but the evenings and weekends," said Lawson.

A new lease was signed with the Northwest Kansas Library System for a period of 10 years with an annual rent of \$12,204 to be paid quarterly to the City.

Jeff Otter reported the Visitors' Center at the old gas station was discussed at the Economic Devel-

opment meeting. The Chamber of Commerce and the Economic Development will share office space when the renovation of the gas station is complete. The plan is to develop a business incubation center in the current Chamber of Commerce office. A follow up workshop as a result of the Cinda Baxter presentation will be held on April 21.

Donna Foley reported that the additional safety features that have been put in at the Recreation Center are greatly appreciated.

Toby Kuhn stated the Public Works Committee had met with concerned citizens regarding the drainage issue by Armory Drive. The committee also met with Larry Patterson; he would like to install a "6" sewer tap by his new business so he could dump bulk sewage. He would pay a monthly charge to dump into the city sewer system. The matter was referred back to the committee.

Jerry Jones stated the time for garage sales is approaching and he would like to remind people who put up garage sale signs to remember to remove them when the sale is over.

A council orientation session will be held for all council members on April 21 at 5:30 p.m. The training is open to the public and news media.

NGS NEWS

Stan and Ramona Shaw spent New and Tara Lahr. the weekend at the home of Kyle and Lisa Bollers, Tyce and Tenley, Lockbuie, Colo. They attended the first birthday party of their great-granddaughter, Tenley, on Saturday at the Bollers' home.

Rachel Carter is happy to announce the birth of her new greatgranddaughter, Molly Bea Cawlfield. Parents are Missy and Adam Cawlfield. Grand parents are Allan and Sherry Carter, Overland Park.

Jennings Lions Club held La-The meal was prepared by Dave Cressler.

A large group of people from the community worked Saturday at the American Legion building. The bushes around the building were cut and hauled off. Makes it look real nice.

After church services Sunday at the United Methodist Church, a potluck dinner was enjoyed. An Administrative Council was then held. Those attending were: Rev. Barbara Patterson, Ken and Julie Carter, Keith and Helen Muirhead, Kenny and Vi Krizek, Violet Fosdies night Thursday evening in ter, Kathy Nauer, Rachel Carter, the Senior Center. Their wives and Marge Hartzog, Darlene La Rue, other invited ladies were guests. Imogene Keenan and Louise

Phillipsburg aging expo to focus on living longer and better lifestyle

Strategies for Living Longer 9:45 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. and Better is what we all want in

The keynote speaker this year topics:

choose from the following session Antiques & Collectibles: Trash

Sharing Your Story, presented cession Planning, presented by or Treasure, presented by Marvin by Kathy Lupfer-Nielsen, KSU, Stacey Seibel, Seibel Law Office, Lincoln County Family Consumer LLC; Science Extension Agent;

issues early is the key.

tend Full Circle...an Aging Expo Television Network. to be held at the Huck Boyd Center

life. Taking the necessary lifestyle is Dr. Joseph Galichia, M.D., steps to prevent disease and tak- F.A.C.C., the founder of Galichia Mirror, presented by Courtney ing the necessary action to detect Medical Group, P.A. in Wichita. Dr. Galichia is a noted medical Do you have questions about spokesman and appears on a weekaging? It could be questions about ly syndicated radio talk show. He helping your parents, or it could be has also served as the moderator Meal...," presented by Taunya questions for yourself. Plan to at- for the National Lifetime Medical

in Phillipsburg, on April 29th from sessions during the day. You can Department of Aging;

Put Pain in Your Rearview McCarty, Registered Dietitian, and KHOP trainer and Jeanene Brown, KOHP trainer;

"This Used to be My Favorite Williams, Consultant Dietitian;

Caring for the Caregiver, pre-There will be three breakout sented by Vern Norwood, Kansas

Mann, AA Antique Appraisal & Consulting;

Home Modifications for Aging in Place, presented by Carol Ann Crouch, KSU, Scott County FCS/4-H Extension Agent;

Discussing Options When Faced with a Life-Threatening Illness, presented by Sue Noll, Supervisor, Hospice, Hays Medical Center;

Defensive Driving for the Aging Driver, presented by Tod Hileman, Trooper, Kansas Highway Patrol:

Learn to Laugh with Yoga Laughter, presented by Jan Moore, Activities Director, Sheridan Research and Extension Office. County Long Term Care;

Estate Planning & Farm Suc-

For registration or more information, go to www.northwest.ksu. edu and click on "Full Circle Brochure" or contact the Northwest Area K-State Research and Extension Office at 785-462-6281. You can also call your local K-State

Life Line screening offered in Norton

Residents living in and around signs prior to their stroke the Norton community can be screened to reduce their risk of having a stroke or bone fracture. Norton County 4-H Building will host Life Line Screening on April convenient 19. The site is located at 126 E Park Street in Norton.

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victims had no apparent warning osteoporosis risk is also offered

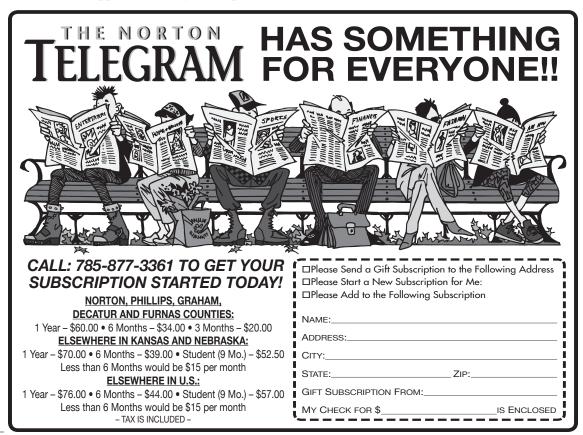
3. Preventive ultrasound screenings can help you avoid a stroke 4. Screenings are fast, nonin-

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and is appropriate for both men and women.

Packages start at \$149. All five screenings take 60-90 minutes vasive, painless, affordable and to complete. For more information regarding the screenings Screenings identify potential or to schedule an appointment, call 1-877-237-1287 or visit our website at www.lifelinescreening. com. Pre-registration is required.

Life Line Screening was estab-





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